

ABSTRACT

A method for implementing policies for nodes connected to a network having a policy manager that determines the specific policy the node should receive, and a data source for the storage of policies comprising providing for the request of a policy from the node to the policy manager, providing for the determination of the particular provider needed to facilitate transfer of the requested policy from the data source, providing for the transfer of a resultant list of policies from the particular data source, providing for the modification of the list of policies in accordance with a dynamic set of policy rules, providing for the retrieval of the policy settings associated with the policies in the modified list, providing for the transfer of the policy attributes to the particular node making the request and providing for the implementation of the policy attributes on the particular node making the request.

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